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SUBJECT: VIOLENT STREET PROTESTS OVER--FOR NOW

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As of 1700 local time, police and media sources confirm that the pro-Rios Montt street demonstrations have ended.

Television broadcasts show the areas around the various court buildings previously occupied by protesters are now deserted.

The buses that brought the protesters into the capital are now carrying them back into the interior. While this round of demonstrations is over for now, protests could emerge again as Rios Montt's legal case proceeds through the courts.

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